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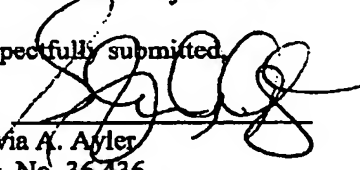
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Please advise as to when the patent will issue on the above subject case.

Respectfully submitted,

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